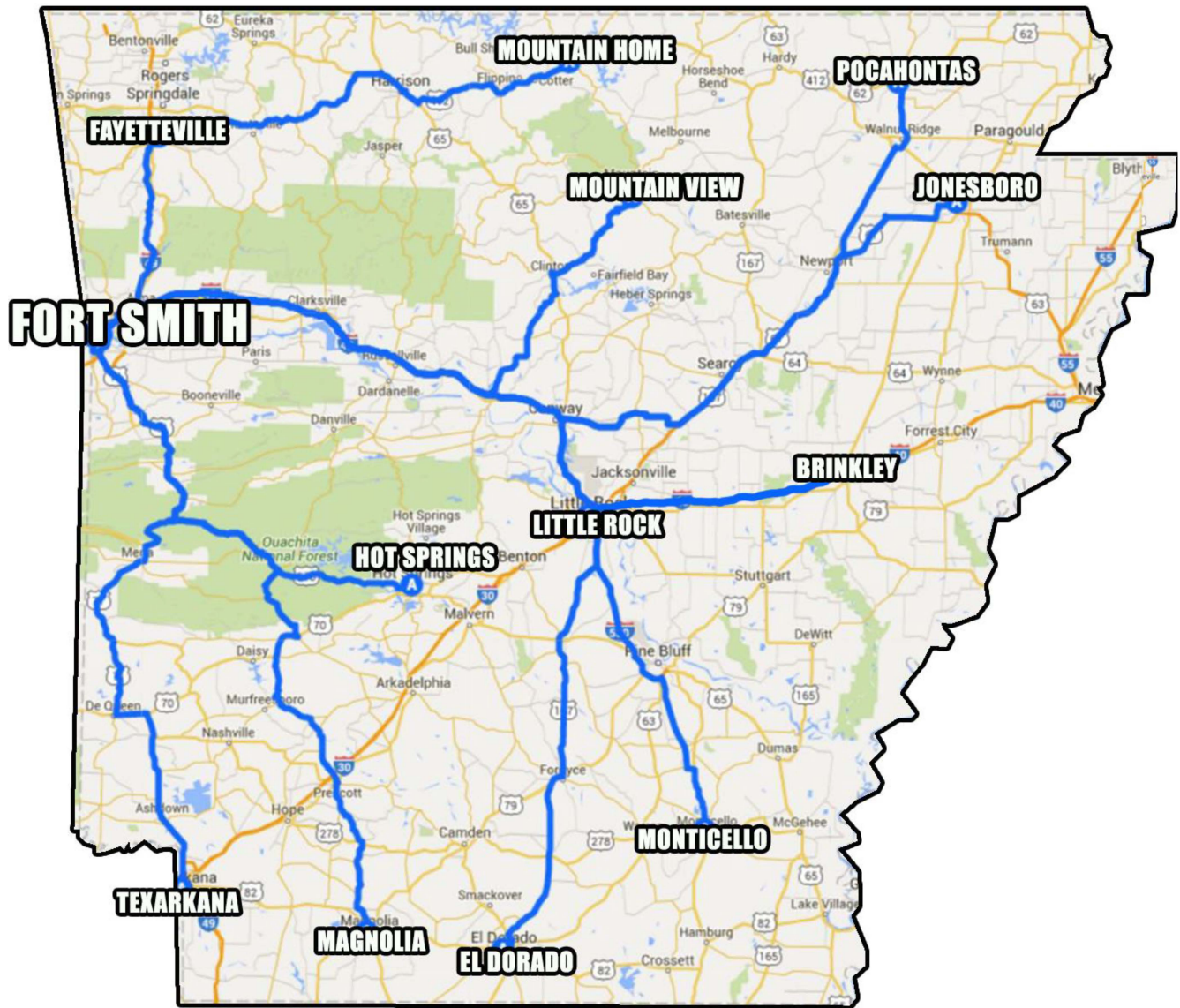


Getting to

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Fort Smith is in close proximity to multiple major U.S. highways and is easily accessible via I-40 from the east/west and I-49/Hwy. 71 via the north/south). Be sure to download our mobile app, "Experience Fort Smith," for quick reference to Fort Smith's lodging facilities, attractions, restaurants and more. Using our app, you can activate turn-by-turn voice navigation to make your trip even easier.

Traveling North from Southwest Arkansas (Texarkana, Ashdown, De Queen, Mena)

Starting in Texarkana, Arkansas, US-71 N travels all the way to Fort Smith, Arkansas. If you're close to the cities of Ashdown, De Queen or Mena you will take this route. At De Queen, be sure to take a right at the second light (located directly next to E-Z Mart) or you'll end up in Oklahoma. From here, you'll continue on the same road all the way to Fort Smith, Arkansas. Once you've reached Fort Smith, you can do one of two things. (1) Continue on US-71 N until you reach Rogers Avenue in downtown Fort Smith. Here, you will take a left and Fort Smith Convention Center will be located on the left between Courtyard by Marriott and Executive Hotel at City Center. (2) If your hotel is located on the central/eastern side of the city, you can take the I-540. Once you do this, take the Rogers Avenue exit and you'll see Hampton Inn to your north. You can take a left to reach Comfort Inn & Suites and many other hotels.

Traveling Northwest from Central Timberlands (El Dorado, Hampton, Fordyce, Sheridan)

Starting in El Dorado, US-167 N will travel through Hampton and you will take a slight right onto US-167 N/US-79 N which will take you into Fordyce. In 4.3 miles, you will need to take a left to stay on US-167 N. In 55 miles—shortly after you have passed through Sheridan—you will stay left at the fork in East End and follow the signs to merge onto I-530 N. Next, you will merge onto I-30 E and use the left lane to exit onto I-40 W and will keep left to stay on I-40 W through Conway. After you pass through Alma, Arkansas, take Exit 7 for I-540 S. From here, you can either take the Grand Avenue or Rogers Avenue Exit.

Traveling Northwest from Eastern Timberlands (Crossett, Monticello, Pine Bluff)

Follow US-425 N roughly 17 miles North of Monticello and then turn left on AR-11 N. In 2 miles, you'll need to turn right onto the ramp to AR-530. Continue for 23 miles and then keep left at the fork to I-530 N. In 12 miles, take exit 32 for AR-256 toward White Hall/P.B. Arsenal. Continue to W Hoadley Road and turn left on McCoy Road, left on Wise Road, and then right on AR-365 N. In about 6 miles, take a left onto Stagecoach Road and then take a right to merge onto I-530 N towards Little Rock. In 23 miles, Continue onto US-167 N and then merge onto I-30 E. Using the left lane to take the I-40 W Exit, keep left and follow signs for I-40 W/Fort Smith and merge onto I-40 W. You will keep left for the next 145 miles and then take Exit 7 for I-540 S and continue to Exit 6 for Grand Avenue in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Traveling South on I-540 from Northwest Arkansas (Bentonville, Rogers, Springdale, Fayetteville)

From Fayetteville, follow I-49 S to the I-540 S/I-40 W exit toward Van Buren/Fort Smith. Then, take Exit 7 for I-540 S/U.S. 71 S toward Fort Smith. From here, you can either take the Grand Avenue or Rogers Avenue Exit.

Traveling Southwest from Upper Delta (Pocahontas, Jonesboro, Paragould)

Make your way to US-67 S and continue onto AR-367 S for 7 miles. Take a left at Tims Road, a right at Jackson Road 43, and then turn right onto the US-67 S/Bald Knob ramp. Follow US-67 S for 60 miles to US-64 W in Beebe, Arkansas. Take exit 28 to merge onto US-67 S and continue for 32 miles. Turn right to merge onto I-40 W. From here, you follow I-40 W all the way to Exit 7 for I-540 S and then take the Grand Avenue or Rogers Avenue Exit.

Traveling Southwest from Central Ozarks (Mountain View, Clinton, Melbourne)

From Mountain View, take AR-9 S for 35 miles and then turn left onto US-65. In 6 miles, turn right, back onto AR-9 S. Continue for 34 miles and turn right for the I-40 W ramp. Follow to Exit 7 for I-540 S and then take the Grand Avenue or Rogers Avenue Exit.

Traveling Southwest from Upper Ozarks (Mountain Home, Flippin, Harrison, Huntsville)

Starting in Mountain Home, take US-412 W and then turn right onto US-65 N in 42 miles. After another 7 miles, turn right to stay on US-65 N. After 5 miles, take a slight right back onto US-412 W. Just past Alpena, you will turn right to remain on US-412 W. Continue for 40 miles and turn left onto US-412 BUS. Keep left to continue on State Hwy 45 S. In 17 miles, turn left onto Crossover Road and right onto E Huntsville Road. Continue onto Happy Hollow Road and then to E

15th Street. Next, turn left onto S Razorback Road and continue onto S Cato Springs Road. Then, you will need to turn left onto the ramp to I-49 S/Fort Smith. Continue on I-49 S to the I-540 S/I-40 W Exit toward Van Buren/Fort Smith and then take Exit 7 for I-540 S. From here, you can either take the Grand Avenue or Rogers Avenue Exit.

Traveling West from Central Delta (Brinkley, Forrest City, West Memphis)

This one is pretty simple. Just make your way to I-40 W and continue all the way to Exit 7 for I-540 S. Once you're on I-540 S, you can either take the Grand Avenue or Rogers Avenue Exit.

Traveling Northwest from Southwest Arkansas (Magnolia, Prescott, Murfreesboro)

Starting in Magnolia, follow US-371 N for 7 miles and then turn right (in Waldo, Arkansas) to remain on US-371 N. In 18 miles, you will take a slight right in Hosston, Arkansas to remain on US-371 N. In 17 miles, turn right onto Rosston Road in Prescott, Arkansas and then turn left on E Main St. in half-a-mile. From here, follow AR-19 N for 27 miles and then take a right onto AR-379 N. In 3 miles, turn right onto AR-27 N and continue for 27 miles. In Glenwood, turn left onto Elm St., which becomes W Broadway St., and then turn left back onto AR-27 N and continue for 13 miles. In Norman, Arkansas, you will take a right to continue on AR-27 N for 8.5 miles. When you reach Mt. Ida, Arkansas you will turn left onto US-270 W and continue for 32 miles to Y City where you will take a left onto US-71 N. In 32 miles, turn right onto Dayton Rd and another right back onto US-71 N in 6.25 miles. In 15 miles you can either continue on US-71 N which will bring you to Downtown Fort Smith, Arkansas or you can take the I-540 N ramp to I-40 and then take the Rogers or Grand Avenue Exit.

GETTING DOWNTOWN & TO THE CONVENTION CENTER

From both (A) Rogers & (B) Grand Avenue Exits, you will take a right at the first light you come to – left, if you're traveling towards the north – and you will continue on the same road all the way to downtown Fort Smith, Arkansas.

The time of day that you are arriving in Fort Smith will help you decide which road to take. If you've arrived during the morning, lunch or afternoon rush hour, we would suggest taking the Grand Avenue Exit. Otherwise, you can take the Rogers Avenue exit, which will pass the Fort Smith Public Library and many other points of interest in the city.

(A) Once you've reached Immaculate Conception Church from Rogers Avenue: Keep left to stay on Rogers Avenue and continue through the intersection of Rogers and Towson. Soon afterwards, the convention center will be on your left between Courtyard by Marriott and Executive Hotel at City Center. If you accidentally take Garrison Avenue, just take a left on 10th street and then a right turn back onto Rogers.

(B) Once you've reached North 10th St. from Grand Avenue: Take a left onto North 10th Street and continue past the intersection of Garrison Avenue & 10th Street. You will then take a right onto Rogers Avenue and the convention center will be located directly to your left between Courtyard by Marriott and Hotels at City Center. *DO NOT TURN LEFT ON 11TH STREET. IT IS A ONE-WAY STREET.*